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1. On 1st and 2nd September 1949, General Gottlob BERGER was reinterrogated at the Prison in LAUSITZ/PC/Lech (4805M-1055E) in compliance with Specific Request #685, dated 22 August 1949.

2. In reference to Specific Request #685, the following information was obtained from BERGER:

a. BERGER learned from General of the Waffen SS and Doctor of Engineering KAMLER himself that the latter was going to Russia. As proof of this statement BERGER related the following story:

(1) On 6 May 1945, Doctor KAMLER came to BERGER in KIRCHDORF, near ST. JOHANN/rirel (4732E-1225E) and told him that he, KAMLER, had made contacts with Russian POW officers, who were technicians in the Russian V-weapons field. (Those Russian officers were captured near KLEV (5027N-3030E) in 1941). KAMLER went from KIRCHDORF to SCHROBOLAU, near Bad Godesen (4707N-1058E) and was led from there by a Russian through the lines. KAMLER was at this time in the possession of a BMW-passenger car, six (6) cylinders, 2 1/2 liters and had his complete plans and drawings on microfilm and in photostats with him. KAMLER showed BERGER the contents of an aluminum strongbox, approximate size 100 centimeters x 40 x 30 centimeters. One of the main reasons to facilitate KAMLER's easy escape was the fact that KAMLER's organization LVV-63 had own gasoline depots all over the country. At the end of World War II, KAMLER's wife and children were residing in BAD HARIENRO (5192N-1035E), British Zone. It might be possible to confirm or deny through Mrs. KAMLER the whereabouts of her husband.

(2) General BERGER was two times approached by a Russian commission in the BERGHEIM Prison with the view of getting BERGER extradited as a witness for a trial in WITZE (5552N-2733E). The first interview took place between 26 and 30 November 1945, the second between 7 and 10 December 1945. The commission consisted of a Lieutenant General,

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a. Kommandeur with the rank of a Colonel, two (2) Germans in Russian uniform and service and one (1) interpreter. BERGER stated that the Russians had a most thorough knowledge of his person and activities. BERGER thinks that the information could have come from no other source than KAMMLER, because at this time no outsider had such knowledge.

b. BERGER learned that KAMMLER went first to a camp near the northwest edge of MOSCOW (5945H-3737E). He said that in the vicinity of MOSCOW four (4) special camps existed: (1) For Diplomats (2) For General Officers only (3) For Generals and Officers who were employed as instructors and military advisers (4) For Technicians and Scientists. BERGER believes that KAMMLER might be working on the V-7 weapon. This V-7 was constructed for a distance of 3500 kilometers and was able to reach an altitude of sixteen (16) to twenty (20) thousand meters and is equipped with a connecting ray (Leitstrahl), according to a direct statement from KAMMLER to BERGER. In BERGER's opinion, the V-7 was the main reason for the Russian interest in KAMMLER. Furthermore BERGER stated that KAMMLER was one of the few men in Germany, who knew the production process of all secret weapons. Besides being an expert in the V-weapon field, he was also an authority on the ME-262 and on rocket fighterplanes.

c. BERGER is unable to give more information concerning the present production of the HASSAO-WERKE in LEIPZIG (5120H-1225E). His knowledge was gained during his leave in December 1945.

d. The report concerning the improved egg shaped V-3 tank was likewise received by BERGER during his Christmas leave from a former Waffen SS captain, a Volks-German from Romania. The captain's civilian occupation was technical engineer and he was working as POW in a tank factory in Leningrad (5956H-3020E). The captain was emigrated by way of Switzerland to Argentina on 2 January 1949. He told BERGER of the egg-shaped tank of which a rough sketch is enclosed to this report as inclosure #1. According to BERGER's source, the main feature of the egg-shaped tank is, that it is impossible to put the tank out of action from the front. It can be immobilized only by pointed hits from the rear (Schusswirkung nur epits von hinten). The trailer for spare gasoline and ammunition is shaped similar to a small road-roller (see sketch inclosure #2). The roller consists of an armor plate of ten (10) centimeters thickness. The trailer is detachable from within the tank when empty or in case of emergency.

e. BERGER has no additional information regarding location and activities of other German scientists or engineers in the USSR. However he does not believe that any important German scientists are working in Russian satellite countries.

f. With reference to paragraph b, Specific Request #685, the following details concerning BERGER's relative with the Russian Air Force, was received: Hans BERGER is a cousin of the General, he was a fighter pilot during World War I.

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GATE OF BERGER, Gottlob, General of the Staff SS, dated 12 September 1949 cont'd.

In 1933 Hans BERGER was called back into the service with the rank of a captain. In 1942 Berger crashed and received a fractured skull. He was retired from frontline active service with the rank of a colonel. After recuperation from his injuries, he was assigned to the Air Ministry in Berlin, where he worked for the General Luftzeugmeister in charge of material and equipment. During this period Berger also made various test flights. In February 1945, Berger was captured by the Russians in the region between SCHWIKBUS and POCKAN (5225N-1655E) together with his driver, a Siebenbuerger-German (Eomania). From this driver General BERGER learned during his Christmas leave of the whereabouts and activities of his cousin Hans Berger. After eight (8) weeks captivity Berger was selected as a flight instructor for the ME-262 in GORKIY (5619N-4400E). The German type ME-262 without any changes was used there. The planes came from CZECHOSLOVAKIA and VIENNA (4824N-1623E) and were assembled in GORKIY. According to the driver's information one hundred fifteen (115) ready to start ME 262 were in GORKIY in autumn of 1945. The driver was at the end of 1945 transferred to LENINGRAD (5956N-3020E) and escaped from there by way of FINLAND to Germany. He believes that Hans Berger is in the Interior MONGOLIA since 1945 as instructor for transport gliders.

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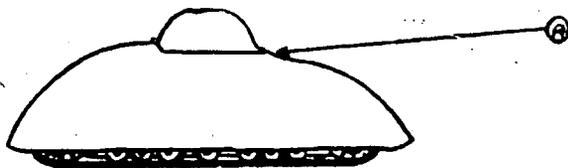
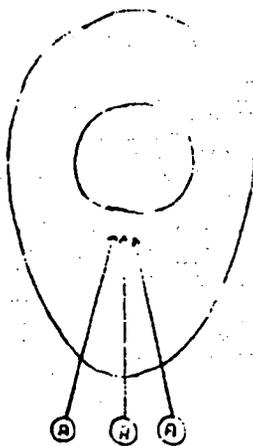

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2 Inclosures

- 1 - Sketch of Eggshaped Tank T-34
- 2 - Sketch of Trailer

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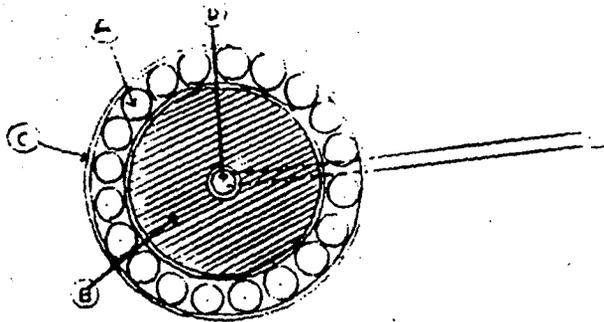
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- A The Case
- B Gas Ice Storage Tank
- C Fan (10) on thick armored Plate
- D Air

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